REMARKS

Claims 11-20 were pending in the application. The Examiner rejected claims 1, 4-7, 9 and 10 and objected to claims 2, 3 and 8 for depending upon a rejected base claim but containing allowable subject matter.

Initially, Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for the early indication of allowable subject matter. Amended claim 11 contains all of the subject matter of canceled claim 12 (which corresponds to claim 2) while claims 13 and 18 (which correspond to canceled claims 3 and 8) have been rewritten in independent form. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 11, 13, and 18 are allowable.

The Examiner rejected claims 1, 5, 6, 9 and 10 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for containing relative terminology. This rejection has been overcome by the amendment to the claims.

The Applicant respectfully submits that claims 11, 13 and 18 are patentable over the cited references. Claims 14-17, 19 and 20 depend from claim 11 and therefore are submitted to be patentable over the prior art for at least the same reasons and for the further features recited therein.

The Examiner objected to the drawings saying that the drawings are not readable. Replacement drawings are attached herewith.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 11 and 13-20 are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, early allowance of claims 11 and 13-20 is earnestly submitted.

If the Examiner believes that a conference would be of value in expediting the prosecution of the Application, the Examiner is hereby invited to contact the undersigned agent to set up such conference.

Applicants believe no additional fees are due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-2570, under Order No. AP10741 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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